



The Indianapolis Radio Club Newsletter

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"The oldest continuously operating Amateur Radio Club in the United States"

November 2013 Newsletter

Upcoming Meetings:

December 13: Annual Christmas Dinner meeting with presentation on WWII gliders

January 10: Steve Curtis, ND9C, will give a presentation on transmitter hunting.

Highlights from the November Meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Vice President Dave Miller, K9RTT, in the absence of club president Dave Spoelstra. There were 55 in attendance. Dave advised that we are still selling Christmas Dinner tickets and they are available tonight. Dave also advised that this is election night and we will hold elections for officers of the club after the presentation.

Jim, K9RU, announced that VE testing will be tomorrow at noon at the Salvation Army EDS Center.

Our presenter, Dale Schieman, WB9YCZ, of the W9ICE group gave a presentation on D-Star.

Elections: All officers have been involved in the planning of the 100th year of the Indianapolis Radio Club and have volunteered for another year of service. We are proposing that the board stay the same for the next year. Dave Miller made a motion that all stay the same and Mike Rollins seconded it.

Dave announced that we will be meeting in the same building for another year.

Meeting ended at 8:50pm. [*Editor note: Thanks to Rhonda Curtis, WS9H, for these notes.*]

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TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER

Friday, December 13 will be the annual Indianapolis Radio Club Christmas Dinner and Awards Presentations. This will also be the kick off of the 100th anniversary of the Club. The Banquet will be held at the Primo Banquet Center at 2615 National Avenue in the Beech Grove area, south of I-65 at the Keystone exit. The banquet will begin at 6:30 pm, and there's plenty of free parking. Dinner will cost \$12 for Indianapolis Radio Club members and \$22 for non-members, and is all you can eat. Contact the club's treasurer, Rhonda, WS9H at ws9h.indy@gmail.com, to get your tickets reserved. If you plan to attend, but don't want to pre-pay, tickets will be \$25 at the door, but we still need to get your reservation.

The menu will be all you can eat Sliced Turkey Breast, Honey Baked Ham, Au Gratin Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Tossed Green Salad, and Cole Slaw.

The program will start at approximately 8:00, and is going to be presented by Mr. Alan Teller from Kokomo about Gliders used to the Europe front during World War II.

HAM RADIO SUPPORT FOR NOVEMBER TORNADOES

A late-season, multi-state outbreak of tornadoes and high winds on November 17 killed six people in Illinois and injured hundreds of others, some seriously. ARRL Illinois Tom Ciciora, KA9QPN, reported today that Peoria County ARES Emergency Coordinator Fritz Bock, WD9FMB, has responded with a team of volunteers to a Central Illinois Division Red Cross request for emergency communication support between sites in Washington, Illinois — a town of approximately 11,000 residents and hardest-hit by the storm activity — and the Red Cross office in Peoria. Most of the injuries occurred in Washington.

“Fritz tells me that VHF and UHF FM systems are intact and operating, which will cover the communications paths,” Ciciora said. “Communication support will be provided between the Washington Methodist Church, the Tazewell County EOC, and the ARC office in Peoria.” Ciciora notes that Tazewell borders Peoria County.

Illinois Gov Pat Quinn told reporters today that the storms destroyed or badly damaged upward of 400 homes in Washington, Illinois. The storms also affected Michigan,

Indiana, Missouri and Wisconsin. Seven Illinois counties, including Peoria and Tazewell, have been declared disaster areas. Many residents remain without power.

PHILLIPINES TYPHOON DISASTER

More than a week after being hit by Typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda) in one of the worst natural disasters in recent history, survivors of the central Philippines have basic needs of food, water and medicine, shelter, evacuation, communication and power.

The Philippines Amateur Radio Association (PARA) and its Ham Emergency Radio Operation (HERO) network continue providing emergency communications, and at the request of authorities is starting to expand its locations and facilities. Ramon Anquilan, DU1UGZ, Vice Chief Operating Officer of PARA, confirms that HERO stations are continuing to work. He thanks the world for keeping 7.095 MHz clear for urgent traffic. Also, there is a possibility that 14.277 and 14.285 MHz are being used for Health and Welfare traffic. Please listen closely before using those frequencies.

W1AW 2013/2014 WINTER OPERATING SCHEDULE

Morning Schedule:

Time	Mode	Days
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWs	Wed, Fri
1400 UTC (9 AM EST)	CWf	Tue, Thu

Daily Visitor Operating Hours:

1500 UTC to 1700 UTC - (10 AM to 12 PM EST)
1800 UTC to 2045 UTC - (1 PM to 3:45 PM EST)

(Station closed 1700 to 1800 UTC (12 PM to 1 PM EST))

Afternoon/Evening Schedule:

2100 UTC (4 PM EST)	CWf	Mon, Wed, Fri
2100 "	CWs	Tue, Thu
2200 "	(5 PM EST)	CWb Daily
2300 "	(6 PM EST)	DIGITAL Daily
0000 "	(7 PM EST)	CWs Mon, Wed, Fri
0000 "	" CWf	Tue, Thu

0100 " (8 PM EST) CWb Daily
0200 " (9 PM EST) DIGITAL Daily
0245 " (9:45 PM EST) VOICE Daily
0300 " (10 PM EST) CWf Mon, Wed, Fri
0300 " " CWs Tue, Thu
0400 " (11 PM EST) CWb Daily

Frequencies (MHz)

CW: 1.8025 3.5815 7.0475 14.0475 18.0975 21.0675 28.0675 147.555
DIGITAL: - 3.5975 7.095 14.095 18.1025 21.095 28.095 147.555
VOICE: 1.855 3.990 7.290 14.290 18.160 21.390 28.590 147.555

FCC WIRELESS BUREAU GETS NEW ACTING CHIEF

Sworn into office November 4, Tom Wheeler, the new FCC chairman, has named current Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Chief Ruth Milkman as his chief of staff. Replacing Milkman as acting Wireless Bureau chief will be Roger Sherman, a communications attorney with strong links to the Democratic Party. The WTB oversees Amateur Radio within the FCC. Sherman previously served as the Democratic Chief Counsel to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and as Democratic Staff Director to its Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

During the 111th Congress (2009-2011), Sherman was chief counsel for communications, technology, and the Internet. He previously served on the staffs of US Representative Henry Waxman and US Senator Alan Cranston. Earlier he was an attorney at Sprint Corporation and at the firm of Wiley, Rein.

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SEND ME YOUR HAM RADIO NEWS

If anyone has any items for the newsletter, please send them to Ken Bandy at kj9b@arrl.net

Signals from the Past:

From the August-November-December (?), 1951 *Amachewer*:

The August 1951 issue of QST magazine has an article with photos of model airplane radio-controlled flight activities at various contests and lo and behold, there's a foto of our old Indianapolis friend Gene Foxworthy and his entry in a contest. It will be remembered that Gene favored us with a program a while back on radio controlled model planes. (He had no volunteers that night when he said he would like help in improving them. Any one doing anything along this line now?)

Upcoming Area Radio Events:

- November 30: Evansville hamfest. More info at <http://w9ear.org/hamfest.htm>
- February 22, 2014: Brownsburg Hamfest. More info at http://hcars.org/sites/hcars.org/files/Brownsburg_Hamfest2014.pdf

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